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## York County Historical Museum Co-Sponsored Independence Day Ringing Of Bell From *U.S.S. Yorktown*

Yorktown, Aug. 28—Independence Day 2006 festivities in Yorktown included the ringing of an historic bell from the *U.S.S. Yorktown—CVS 10* in the garden of the historic Nelson House on Main Street, home of Gov. Thomas Nelson Jr., signer of the Declaration of Independence. The bell was rung 13 times in commemoration of the 13 original states. The bell-ringing was part of a program called "The Sounds of Liberty" which was launched by the passage of a continuing resolution by Congress in 1963 that asked Americans to ring bells on July 4 at 2 p.m. to celebrate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. The York County Historical Museum was co-sponsor of this year's bell-ringing in Yorktown, along with the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence and the Fifes and Drums of York Town. Participants included, from left: Yorktown Crier Walt Latham, Rep. Jo Ann Davis and Kenneth R. Bowman, District 3 representative of the York County Board of Supervisors.



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## **Mission Statement:**

To advance the knowledge and understanding of the history of York County and the Town of York through the preservation and presentation of historical artifacts in a Museum.